

4. The final acceptance of the tenders will rest with the Conservator of Forests who does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender or to assign any reason whatever for the rejection of any tender.

5. The successful tenderer will, within a week of the receipt of intimation of the acceptance of his tender or tenders, execute an agreement accepting the terms specified below, in default, the order of acceptance will be cancelled and the deposit forfeited to Government.

(a) That he binds himself to fell and remove the timber he has purchased in not less than the following proportions:—

One half by the 1st February 1912.

Balance 15th June 1912.

(b) That trees shall be felled in consecutive order as they are marked. Picking and choosing will not be allowed.

In felling trees care should be taken to fell so as not to cause damage to the surrounding growth.

(c) That he shall fell the trees he has purchased and dress the logs on the spot. He will not be bound, however, to remove such logs as the District Forest Officer may declare to be unsound and unfit for sale without recourse to sawing. The District Forest Officer's decision in this matter will be final.

(d) That only saws will be used for cutting up the logs into the required lengths, and that while he is permitted to remove whitewood, knots and flukes, he shall cause no unnecessary waste in dressing the logs. The District Forest Officer's opinion regarding the overdressing of logs shall be final and the purchaser should pay the amount for such wastage as calculated by the District Forest Officer.

(e) That he binds himself to pay for and remove all marketable portions of a tree either in logs, pieces or poles.

(f) That the timber prepared out of each tree shall be measured and stamped by the Range Officer or such other officer as the District Forest Officer may authorize at the stump. Until the timber is marked at the stump, the timber shall not be removed.

(g) That he shall pay for all the timber measured as per clause (f) before removal from the forest or the depot fixed by the District Forest Officer.

(h) That all removals shall be effected under passports issued by the Forest Officer in charge of the forest or depot and on presentation of the Treasury receipt for the value of the timber he intends to remove.

(i) That if any tree other than the one bearing the departmental stamp impression, or a tree that he has not purchased, is felled, he will pay a fine not exceeding Rs. 15 for each tree.

(j) That the timber paid for but not removed within six months of the termination of the contract shall lapse to Government.

(k) That he agrees that such timber as may not be paid for before the 15th June 1912, shall lapse to Government.

(l) That he agrees to abide by the rules of the Department as regards kindling of fires and holds himself responsible for any forest offences committed by his agents, employees and workmen.

(m) That he agrees to the cancellation of the contract and the forfeiture of his deposit for breach of any of the terms of the contract.

(n) That he agrees to maintain a register in the form prescribed by the District Forest Officer showing the serial number and kind of tree felled and the outturn of timber for each tree, which will be open to the examination of all Forest officers.

*Note.*—Elephants could be hired when available on payment of a hire of Rs. 6 per male and Rs. 5 per female for a working day of six hours.

*Abstract Notification dated 28th October 1911.*

The attention of the public is invited to the notification published on page 1272, Part II of the *Mysore Gazette* dated 2nd November 1911, regarding the sale of the right to collect and remove big and small bamboos in certain forests of this district.

*Abstract notice.*

The attention of the public is invited to the notice calling for tenders for standing timber in the various coupes of the Lakkavalli State Forest, published on page 1271, Part II of the *Mysore Gazette* dated 2nd November 1911.

B. V. RAMAENGAR,  
District Forest Officer.

COORG FOREST DEPARTMENT.

SANDALWOOD AUCTION.

No. 1102, dated Mercara, 21st September 1911.

To be sold in lots at Fraserpet on 18th December 1911, 180 tons of sandalwood, more or less.

TERMS.—See Chief Commissioner's Notification No. 1, dated 12th January 1899, published in the *Coorg District Gazette* for February 1900.

For further particulars apply to the undersigned.

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Deputy Conservator of Forests, Coorg.